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Title: AIR ASSISTED, TOPPER/SHREDDER FOR SUGAR CANE HARVESTER

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Enclosed are:

- (X) The application and combined declaration and power of attorney (unsigned).
- (X) 3 sheet(s) of Formal drawings.
- () Assignment of the invention to Deere & Company, a Delaware corporation.
- () A certified copy of application No. , filed in (or designating) . The right of priority to the filing date of said application is hereby claimed.
- (x) A disclosure statement.

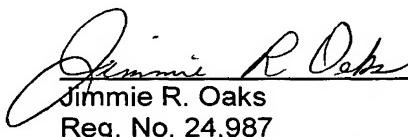
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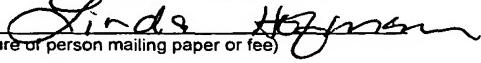
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